

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Matthew Ashby
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Examiner : Teresa E. Strzelecka
Group Art Unit : 1637
For : METHODS FOR THE SURVEY AND GENETIC
ANALYSIS OF POPULATIONS

New York, New York
September 8, 2009

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO MARCH 6, 2009 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This responds to the March 6, 2009 Office Action, in the above-identified application.

Applicant submits concurrently herewith a Petition for a three (3)-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for replying to the Office Action and has authorized payment of the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). With the extension, the time for response is extended up to and including September 6, 2009. Further, as September 6, 2009 is a

Sunday, and September 7, 2009 is Labor Day, the effective due date is extended up to and including September 8, 2009. Therefore, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.